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Col. White and I talked with Senator John Marshall Butler (R., Md.) regarding the proposed CIA building and assured him that CIA had as yet not settled on a definite location. We assured him that we would look at every site recommended to us, including those in Maryland. Senator Butler thought this was very fair and stated that his interest was for Maryland rather than a particular site. He asked how many people we employed and appeared to have us somewhat confused with the old National Security Resources Board. He dropped a friendly remark that we were getting to be quite a Gestapo in size, at which point I informed the Senator that the National Security Act provided that we had no internal security functions whatsoever and that we cooperated closely with the FBI. Senator Butler was very friendly throughout, and recalled with pleasure his trip on the Queen Mary with the DCI. His Administrative Assistant, Mr. Hood, was present throughout the meeting.

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